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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	
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SHOZO HATTORI, et al.)	
		:	Group Art Unit: 2861
Application No.: 09/543,331)	
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Filed: April 5, 2000)	
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For:	INK ABSORBENT, INK)	
	TANK, INK CARTRIDGE,	:	
	METHOD FOR)	
	MANUFACTURING INK	:	
	ABSORBENT, AND METHOD)	
	FOR MANUFACTURING INK	:	May 13, 2002
	TANK)	

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

AMENDMENT AND INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated December 11, 2001, in connection with which a timely Petition For Extension Of Time was filed on May 1, 2002, extending period for response to Monday, May 13, 2002.

Please amend the above-identified application, as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel Claims 1, 3, 4 and 11 to 18 without prejudice or disclaimer of

subject matter.

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